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## LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A golf ball comprising:

a core; and

a cover layer comprising a curing agent and a polyurethane prepolymer formed from a polyisocyanate and a monodisperse telechelic polyol having a polydispersity of from about 1.0 to about 1.3, and having the formula:

$$T-Z_n-C-Y-C-Z_n-T$$

where Y is at least one molecule or mixtures of molecules having at least two independently polymerized vinyl groups, such as 1,3 divinylbenzene or 1,4 divinylbenzene;

C is a hydrogenated or unsaturated block derived by anionic polymerization of at least one monomer selected from the group consisting of conjugated dienes, alkenyl-substituted aromatics, and mixtures thereof;

 $Z_n$  is a branched or straight chain hydrocarbon connecting group which contains n = 1-50 carbon atoms; and

T is hydroxyl.

2. (Currently amended) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the monodisperse telechelic polyol comprises

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where x and y = integer from 1 to 50.

- 3. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the core comprises a polybutadiene composition and the salt of a halogenated thiophenol.
- 4. (Original) The golf ball of claim 3, wherein the salt of a halogenated thiophenol comprises the zinc salt of pentachlorothiophenol.
- (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the polyisocyanate comprises toluene diisocyanate; 4,4'-diphenylmethane diisocyanate; polymeric 4,4'-diphenylmethane diisocyanate; carbodiimide-modified 4,4'-diphenylmethane diisocyanate; 3,3'-dimethyldiphenyl-4,4' diisocyanate; naphthalene diisocyanate; p-phenylene diisocyanate; xylene diisocyanate; p-tetramethylxylene diisocyanate; m-tetramethylxylene diisocyanate; ethylene diisocyanate; propylene-1,2-diisocyanate; tetramethylene-1,4-diisocyanate; cyclohexyl diisocyanate; 1,6-hexamethylene-diisocyanate; dodecane-1,12-diisocyanate; cyclohexane-1,3-diisocyanate; cyclohexane-1,4-diisocyanate; 1-isocyanato-3,3,5-trimethyl-5-isocyanatomethylcyclohexane; isophorone diisocyanate; methyl cyclohexylene diisocyanate; triisocyanate of 1,6-hexamethylene-diisocyanate; triisocyanate of 2,2,4-trimethyl-1,6-hexane diisocyanate; triisocyanate; or trimethylhexamethylene diisocyanate.
- 6. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the monodisperse telechelic polyol has a polydispersity of from about 1.0 to about 1.1.
- 7. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the cover has a thickness of less than about 0.05 inches and the core has a compression of between about 50 and about 90.

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- 8. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the core outer diameter is between about 1.50 inches and about 1.62 inches.
- 9. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the golf ball has a coefficient of restitution of greater than about 0.8.
- 10. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the golf ball has a coefficient of restitution of greater than about 0.81.
- 11. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein C comprises hydrogenated isoprene having a peak molecular weight of from about 500 to about 350,000.
- 12. (Original) The golf ball of claim 1, wherein the core comprises a center and an outer core layer.
- 13. (Currently amended) A golf ball comprising:

a core;

an intermediate layer; and

a cover comprising a curing agent and a polyurethane prepolymer formed from a polyisocyanate and a monodisperse telechelic polyol having a polydispersity of between about 1.0 and about 1.3, and having the formula:

$$T-Z_n-C-Y-C-Z_n-T$$

where Y is at least one molecule or mixtures of molecules having at least two independently polymerized vinyl groups, such as 1,3 divinylbenzene or 1,4 divinylbenzene;

C is a hydrogenated or unsaturated block derived by anionic polymerization of at least one monomer selected from the group consisting of conjugated dienes, alkenyl-substituted aromatics, and mixtures thereof;

 $\mathbf{Z}_n$  is a branched or straight chain hydrocarbon connecting group which contains n = 1-50 carbon atoms; and

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T is hydroxyl.

- 14. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer is an inner cover layer, an outer core layer, or a water vapor barrier layer.
- 15. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer is an inner cover layer, and the inner cover layer and the cover each have a thickness of less than about 0.05 inches.
- 16. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer comprises the monodisperse telechelic polyol or a monodisperse telechelic polyurea.
- 17. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein the intermediate layer comprises ionomers, vinyl resins; polyolefins; polyurethanes; polyureas; polyamides; polycarbonates; acrylic resins; thermoplastics; polyphenylene oxides; thermoplastic polyesters; thermoplastic rubbers; or highly-neutralized polymers.
- 18. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein C comprises hydrogenated isoprene having a peak molecular weight of from about 500 to about 350,000.
- 19. (Original) The golf ball of claim 13, wherein the monodisperse telechelic polyol has a polydispersity of from about 1.0 to about 1.1.
- 20. (Currently amended) A golf ball comprising:

a core;

an intermediate layer; and

a cover;

wherein at least one of the intermediate layer or the cover comprises a curing agent and a polyurethane prepolymer formed from a polyisocyanate and a monodisperse telechelic polyol having a polydispersity of between about 1.0 and about 1.3 and having the formula:

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## $T-Z_n-C-Y-C-Z_n-T$

where Y is at least one molecule or mixtures of molecules having at least two independently polymerized vinyl groups;

<u>C</u> is a hydrogenated or unsaturated block derived by anionic polymerization of at least one monomer selected from the group consisting of conjugated dienes, alkenyl-substituted aromatics, and mixtures thereof;

 $Z_n$  is a branched or straight chain hydrocarbon connecting group which contains n = 1-50 carbon atoms; and

T is hydroxyl.

- 21. (Original) The golf ball of claim 20, wherein the intermediate layer is a water vapor barrier layer and having a thickness of from about 0.1  $\mu$ m to about 75  $\mu$ m.
- 22. (Original) The golf ball of claim 20, wherein the monodisperse telechelic polyol has a polydispersity of between about 1.0 and about 1.1.
- 23. (Original) The golf ball of claim 20, wherein the core has an outer diameter of no greater than about 1.62 inches.
- 24. (Original) The golf ball of claim 20, wherein the intermediate layer is an inner cover layer having a hardness of between about 40 and about 75 Shore D; and the cover is an outer cover layer having a hardness of between about 30 and about 60 Shore D.
- 25. (Original) The golf ball of claim 24, wherein the inner cover layer has a flexural modulus of between about 30,000 and about 80,000 psi and the cover has a flexural modulus of between about 10,000 and about 30,000 psi.